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LIGHTING FRANCHISE MAY NOT BE AWARDED TONIGHT

Council and Two Bidders Agree on Modifications To Be Made---A. A. Shuford Company and Southern Public Utilities Company Only Bidders.

After having modified the lighting franchise so that it was agreeable to both the Southern Public Utilities Company and the A. A. Shuford Mills Company, the two bidders, city council and the franchise committee, met this morning for the purpose of deciding the question of awarding the franchise at this time or adjourning until the next meeting. A meeting was held at night, and this afternoon the two bidders were handed revised copies of the franchise showing the modifications. Each company offered 1/2 of the franchise, the other 1/2 to be awarded to the company which should be awarded to the city, the question of whether it is necessary to place wires underground except for the white water, and to decide the valuation of the franchise holder by an arbitrator, and jointly appointed whenever the city desires to determine the cross arms, operating expenses and so on, before fixing rates.

Mr. Geitner raised the point that the city having advertised for bidders under a specified form, probably did not have the right to modify the agreement without advertising again. He said he would not make the right himself, but thought it might come up in future. Several members of council thought under the modified form, there might be competition in bidding. All the questions discussed last night and today will be taken up again tonight.

LAST NIGHT'S SESSION

The franchise for furnishing the city and citizens of Hickory with light for the next 25 or 30 years was not awarded last night by city council, but may be awarded tonight. Only two bids were received, the first from the A. A. Shuford Mill Company and the second from the Southern Public Utilities Company, now holding the franchise, and it was decided to consider the question further today and tonight.

Mr. G. H. Geitner, president of the A. A. Shuford Company, submitted the bid of his interests. He agreed to accept the city's franchise as it stands and to pay the city one-half of one per cent on the gross receipts from the sale of electricity. The bid of the Southern Public Utilities Company was the same as to the percentage to be turned over to the city, but Mr. Z. V. Taylor, president of the Charlotte concern, made four objections to the franchise as submitted, saying that he would not have it as a precious gift if one or two of what he termed defects were left in it.

Mr. Taylor's Objections.
Mr. Taylor's chief objections were

to Sections 3, 9 and 14. Section 3 reserves to the city the right to require the company to put the wires underground in certain districts. Mr. Taylor said if this right were exercised, it would deprive every citizen in the town of the privilege of using electricity, as the expense of this was so great as to make the rates exorbitant. City Attorney Bagby said the matter would be determined by the courts, but Mr. Taylor did not think his company would have any show if it agreed to this section.

Another Objection.

As to Section 9, which reserves to the city the right to prescribe and regulate rates, was objected to by President Taylor on the ground that rates might be fixed that would conflict with those prescribed by the state authorities. That section might tie the hands of the power company. Another clause in this section requires that the franchise owner make an accounting of the value of its holdings here, and President Taylor said that would require a corps of experts. He said the value of the plant is known and taxed.

"Substantial"

Taking up Section 14, relating to the right of the city to declare the franchise forfeited in case of breach of contract, Mr. Taylor thought the word "substantial" should be inserted here, saying that otherwise council could take the franchise away on a mere delay of workmen or some other trivial matter. Mr. Bagby agreed that "substantial" could be inserted. The Charlotte gentleman here informed council that he could not take the franchise under any consideration with this provision left in it.

Mr. Geitner's Proposition.

President Geitner told council that he was desirous that he take proper time to close the matter, saying that his company wanted council to do the best for the city. He was not particularly anxious for the franchise, but was prepared to live up to the contract as prepared by the city. In the event any modification is made, he wanted a chance to submit a counter proposition. It seemed assured that the franchise would not go begging.

President Taylor said he would remain over in Hickory until the matter was closed, and when he was called freely with council. Mayor Shuford called on the large number of citizens present to express their views on the question. Earlier in the evening Col. M. E. Thornton put in a bid, but withdrew it when he and council could not agree on the "certified check" proposition. The colonel made a lengthy and polished speech.

If the franchise is awarded to the Southern Public Utilities Company, it will become operative the day after it is ratified, but if it is let to another concern, it will not expire for two and a half years. The term will be for 30 years.

White Way Assured.

Contemplated in the franchise is a great white way, which is only waiting an agreement to become a reality. Either the Shuford Company or the Charlotte concern would install this in case it secured the franchise.

BOY CAST OFF TRYING TO SAVE ARMENIANS LEFT PROBLEM IS DISCUSSED

(By Associated Press.)

Oakland, Cal., Oct. 13.—"The state's part in dealing with the boy cast off by the community" was discussed before the American Prison Association here today by Guy C. Hanna, superintendent of the Indiana Boys' school at Plainfield, Ind. He defended the reform school system of dealing with youthful male incorrigibles, although acknowledging that many of these institutions had been productive of almost as much evil as good. Personal immorality he considered the greatest problem of the boys' correctional schools and he advocated careful watch of the inmates segregation of negroes from whites and an abundance of air, baths, work and wholesome food as means of combating this evil.

"Much has been said of late years over the 'honor system,'" he continued. "The public usually has in mind that this means that an inmate has a chance to escape and doesn't do it. If this is the meaning of the system, there is little to boast about. No management could conduct an institution out in the open country, containing from 200 to 900 boys, with walls or fences or any other system. The honor system from this standpoint is not an adornment. It is a necessity. I am willing to trust almost any inmate about the institution so far as escape is concerned. I am not willing to put him on his honor or not to commit, or give him a chance to commit, personal immorality."

Mr. Hanna said that the long hours, at low pay, which officers of correctional institutions are compelled to work made it difficult for executives of such establishments to obtain competent assistants of good character. He advocated shorter hours and better pay for these state employees. He also decried the tendency to parole too many city bred boys to farmers. "The parole of an able bodied 18 year old boy to some farmer on a basis of 'board and clothes' nearly always brings disaster," he said. "I have known of boys going out on this basis with an equipment of clothing furnished by the state, who were returned in the same clothes two or three years later. It is hard for a boy to see that he does wrong to steal \$40 on account from his hard fist master under these circumstances."

"The commitments are practically all from the cities and city grades should be taught to those who can learn them. The theory that you can make all bad boys good by turning them loose on a farm is certainly fallacious."

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, Oct. 13.—Ambassador Morgenthau has been directed to inquire of the Turkish foreign office, it was learned today, as to whether concessions regarding persecution of Protestant and Catholic Armenians are being carried out. The concessions recently were made at the instigation of this government, but it is reported Armenians are being massacred in large numbers.

DELCASSE RESIGNS.

(By Associated Press.)

Paris, Oct. 13.—Foreign Minister Delcasse resigned today. His resignation was accepted. His continued ill health has given concern to his friends.

GRACE DEFEATED BY LESS THAN 20 VOTES

(By Associated Press.)

Charleston, S. C., Oct. 13.—Tensities of the bitter fight in the democratic municipal primaries yesterday, which caused Governor Manning to hold 4 companies of infantry and three divisions of naval militia in readiness in the army, was reflected today in the count of votes in the mayoralty race. Out of more than 6,000 votes cast, Mayor Tristram T. Hyde had an apparent majority of 19 over Mayor John P. Grace. It will take the official count to determine the result and more than 100 votes have been protested.

The state guard was released at 7 o'clock this morning. No unusual disorder occurred yesterday or last night.

PAY-UP WEEK

The Hickory Merchants Association is going ahead with plans for Pay-Up Week to be held here some time in the near future. A new rating book will be issued and it is hoped that every person who does his trading in Hickory will be given a good mark in the book. The date will be announced later.

(By Associated Press.)

London, Oct. 13.—Bulgaria has declared war on Serbia, says a Central News dispatch.

(By Associated Press.)

London, Oct. 13.—The issue between Bulgaria and Serbia apparently has been joined squarely. It is reported unofficially that Bulgaria has declared war. Nothing is known here beyond this fact but it is reported that Bulgaria has suffered reverses in the opening engagement. In northern Serbia the German invasion is said to be meeting with stiff resistance.

The report from Petrograd of Russian successes in Galicia has been confirmed. General Ivanoff has taken 2,000 prisoners and many guns. If the Russian victory is as decisive as indicated, the Austrians may be compelled to fall back on Lemberg. Such a condition will have a decided moral effect on the Balkan states.

In the Dvinsk region indecisive fighting continues, with the advantage shifting from one side to the other. Von Hindenburg evidently expects to resume the offensive, as it is reported that German reinforcements are on their way to join him.

A German correspondent at the front states that a great fight in which all arms are engaged is now proceeding in the Champagne, which is regarded here as indicative that the French intend to resume the offensive.

From the statement of Premier Viviani in Paris, nothing has yet developed from the efforts of the entente powers in helping Serbia clear the road to Constantinople. It is reported from other sources that Italy will be unable to furnish any troops to Serbia.

The western front did not have much to report today.

VENIZELOS IS TOLERANT

(By Associated Press.)

Paris, Oct. 13.—After the adjournment of the Greek chamber, says an Athens dispatch today, to the Matin, former Premier Venizelos called a meeting of his advisers and informed them that it would be advisable to adopt a tolerant attitude towards the new cabinet.

SENATOR OVERMAN TELLS OF PROGRESS IN STATE

Junior Senator Makes Opening Address at First Fair Ever Held in Caldwell County---Many People in Lenoir For Event---Good Program.

FREIGHT CARS LEAVE TRACK NEAR CITY

Five freight cars, one of them loaded with granite, left the track in West Hickory about 5:45 yesterday afternoon and did considerable damage not only to the cars, but to the C. & N.-W. roadway. An axle under the car loaded with granite broke in the middle, and the broken trucks proceeded to remove cross-ties for a distance of 75 or 100 feet, when the car shot off and almost buried itself in the ground. Four other cars followed suit.

The C. & N.-W. tracks were impassable during the night, but Southern trains were able to get by. The railroad had a wrecking crew on the job and today trains were passing all right, though the morning trains were considerably delayed.

If the freight had been running fast, railroad men said today, it might have been a serious affair. As it was, the damage was not great.

CASE OF MAYOR BELL GOES TO JURY TODAY

(By Associated Press.)

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 13.—The case of Mayor Joseph E. Bell, on trial here for more than five weeks charged with election conspiracy, went to the jury this morning.

The judge instructed the jury that the defendant was not charged with committing a violation of the election laws, but was charged with being in a conspiracy and that it must be shown that he conspired to defraud. Mayor Bell was charged with conspiracy along with Thomas Taggart and over 130 others.

Conviction carries a fine and imprisonment. Nine of the indicted men pleaded guilty and several of them became state witnesses.

MARKETS

QUOTE HALF STOCK.

(By the Associated Press.)
New York, Oct. 13.—Beginning today the stock exchange will quote half stock on those shares whose values are \$50. Chief of these stocks are Reading Railway, Philadelphia Company, and such inactive stocks as Delaware and Lackawanna.

NEW YORK STOCKS

(By the Associated Press.)
New York, Oct. 13.—An accumulation of buying orders over the holiday was noted in the resumption of trading today. The most notable feature was Reading, which declined from Monday's close. Baldwin Locomotive gained eight points, and Studebaker rose 2 1/2. Westinghouse and United States Steel also rose, steel making a new high record to 83 1/2.

NEW YORK COTTON

(By the Associated Press.)
New York, Oct. 13.—The cotton market opened firm at an advance of 17 to 25 points and the active months sold 29 to 35 points net higher after the call. The opening months were within 9 to 12 points of the season's record. There were realizations on southern hedge sellings.

COTTON FUTURES.

New York, Oct. 13.—Cotton futures opened firm and closed steady.

	Open	Close
October	12.44	12.42
December	12.80	12.65
January	12.98	12.78
March	13.21	13.01
May	13.38	13.17

HICKORY MARKET

Hickory cotton ----- -12 1/2c
Hickory wheat ----- -\$1.25

THE WEATHER

Forecast for North Carolina: Partly cloudy tonight and Thursday; probably showers. Moderate northeast to east winds.

COMPARATIVE WEATHER

	1915	1914
October 12	75	80
Maximum	75	80
Minimum	37	57
Mean	56	68 1/2

Lenoir, Oct. 13.—Contrasting the growth and development of North Carolina in various lines with that of five, eight and ten years ago, Senator Lee S. Overman of Salisbury today made the opening address of the Caldwell County Fair before an uncommonly large crowd. He was introduced by Mr. W. C. Newland, formerly lieutenant governor, and spoke for more than an hour. This is the first fair ever held in Caldwell county and the people naturally are proud of it.

Senator Overman came loaded with figures, usually dull in themselves, but made interesting by him on an occasion when the whole country is swelling with the tide of prosperity. He touched on health, education, agriculture, manufactures and dairying and presented a wonderful picture of progress. One held down close to a single community has not the vision naturally to see what the rest of the state is doing, and the senator's message was intended to put before Caldwell county people the exact status of the state in its many lines of endeavor.

Farm Values Increase.

Farm values, Senator Overman said, had increased in North Carolina \$200,000,000 during the past eight years; farm products had increased 32 per cent, and farm building also had shown a wonderful increase. Everywhere the sun of prosperity is in the ascendancy, and nowhere was this more observable than in the Caldwell section, he said—dotted as it is with thousands of cattle on many hills.

In Other Lines.

The population of the state has increased 200,000, and the corn yield has been advanced from 36,000,000 bushels eight years ago to 59,000,000 last year, with every prospect of its going beyond the latter figures this year.

In cotton manufacturing the state has more than kept pace with its neighbors. The number of employees has increased by 36,000 in the past five years and the increase in wages has amounted to \$16,000,800.

Senator Overman said that North Carolina had made a better showing than any state in the south except Georgia and Texas and that these states were much greater in area than North Carolina.

The senator left in the afternoon for his home in Salisbury.

Good Program.
The program today included a grand parade to the fair grounds the formal opening and address by Senator Overman, a flying machine exhibit in the afternoon, a baseball game later in the day and a reception tonight in the main building.

STATISTICS NECESSARY TO CONSIDER CRIME

(By Associated Press.)

Oakland, Cal., Oct. 13.—Statistics of crime and criminals which he contended were necessary for a proper understanding of the causes of crime were considered today by Frederick L. Hoffman, of Newark, N. J., in a preliminary report to the convention of the American Prison Association, of the committee on statistics of crime and criminals.

Prefacing his report with a review of the meagre data available in the United States for a broad consideration of the subject, and presenting much data collected in the prisons of England and Wales, Mr. Hoffman urged that steps be taken to obtain "more adequate statistics of crime, upon a uniform basis, as derived from the collective experience of American penal institutions."

"To bring about this required reform in the perfection of American statistics of crime and criminals," said Mr. Hoffman, "may take years, but the effort will be well worth while in view of the great practical value of the results. There can be no doubt that the conditions of lawlessness and delinquency in this country are alarming, and that the tendency is in the wrong direction. The best illustration in support of this conclusion is the statistics of deaths from homicides in American cities, which show a rate far in excess at the present time of the rate prevailing twenty years ago. There are also reasons for believing that the crime of arson is much more common in this country than in Europe, and there is thus conclusive evidence of the necessity for a nation-wide public interest in the need of a thoroughly well considered scientific and largely statistical study of the problem of crime and criminals."

Mr. T. S. Simpson of Greensboro, a well known traveling salesman and an all round good scout, was a Hickory visitor today.

SITE SELECTED FOR FAIR HERE

At a meeting last night of the directors of the Catawba County Fair Association, the announcement was made that Col. M. E. Thornton had donated St. Paul's Seminary property, containing a large school building and 10 acres of land, for the use of the association next month. The colonel was given a vote of appreciation.

With the fair only three weeks off, the directors and others interested in the event are whipping the odds and ends together rapidly, and it was announced last night that never were better prospects for a representative event. Interest is keen throughout the county.

The first day will be Home-Coming Day, in which a grand parade will be the feature; the second will be Educational Day, and the third and last will be Stock Day. Many fine premiums have been arranged.

Secretary Henderson went to Gascola today to make arrangements for a couple large tents which will be used to shelter the live stock.

DECLARED INVALID

(By Associated Press.)
New York, Oct. 13.—Federal Judge Hugh today handed down a decision declaring unconstitutional the law known as the cotton futures act. He rendered a decision in favor of Daniel H. Hallard and others.

MAKING PROGRESS

(By Associated Press.)
Berlin, Oct. 13.—The Austro-German invasion of Serbia is making progress, the war office announced.

SAYS ENGLISHMEN KILLED GERMAN CREW

(By Associated Press.)

Chattanooga, Tenn., Oct. 13.—W. U. Muller, German consul at Atlanta, today procured an affidavit from Laramore Holland, the Chattanooga boy discharged from the English navy, which corroborated the statement of the muleteers on the Nicosan regarding the shooting of the members of the crew of the German submarine U-27 by members of the Barry-long.

The third shot exploded the gas tank and the crew jumped over board and attempted to jump on the Nicosan, but were shot to death and thrown over board.

CARRANZA TROOPS READY TO ATTACK

(By Associated Press.)

Guaymas, Oct. 12, via Santiago, Cal., Oct. 13.—Troops which arrived off this port are ready to begin an attack against Lima, which Villa forces have refused to surrender. For the protection of Americans and other non-combatants a neutral zone has been established outside the city. The United States cruiser demanded that a neutral zone be established. The flagship Santiago is en route here from Santiago.

Many Americans have arranged to depart with their families. If necessary they will be taken aboard by one of the American warships.

The Mexicans were landed under the protection of the Carranza gunboat Guerrero.

Three Home Runs Made by Hooper and Lewis in the Final Game of Series

(By Associated Press.)

National League Park, Philadelphia, Oct. 13.—The Boston Americans are world's champions of 1915.

The Red Sox defeated the Philadelphia Nationals 5 to 4 in a game which was a nip and tuck affair. Once the Nationals took the lead and finally Harry Hooper tied it up with a home run. It was his second home run that made the Red Sox winners. Duffy Lewis was another hero for Boston. His home run brought in a run and tied the score when it seemed that the Red Sox were bound to lose.

A threat of serious delay or possible postponement of the fifth game of the world's series here today served only to whet the appetites of the 20,000 fans who crowded the small park to encourage the Boston Red Sox who have won three of the four games played.

A victory for the Phillies would make a prolongation of the struggle and would cause activities to be resumed in Boston again tomorrow.

Owing to a leaking engine of the special train bearing the members of the two ball teams delayed the arrival from 9 until shortly after noon, but it was announced the game would start on time. The Phillies were first on the field and got a noisy welcome from the fans. The fans fully believed that Alexander would turn back the invaders.

Carrigan, confident almost to the degree of arrogance, said today that any of his long string of air-tight twirlers would pull out the game. Followers of the game seemed to take it for granted that Foster would be his selection.

The box occupied last Saturday by President Wilson was decorated today for Governor Bumbrough of Pennsylvania.

The field was lightning fast and batted balls indicated that the fielders

would have to be on the jump if they made many plays.

Boston	Philadelphia
Hooper, rf.	Stock, 3b.
Scott, ss.	Bancroft, ss.
Speaker, cf.	Paskert, c.
Hoblitzell, 1b.	Cravath, rf.
Gainer, 1b.	Luderus, 1b.
Lewis, lf.	Whitted, lf.
Gardner, 3b.	Niehoff, 2b.
Barry, 2b.	Burns, c.
Thomas, c.	Mayer, p.
Foster, p.	Rixey, p.

First Inning.
Boston—Hooper singled to center on the first ball pitched. Scott fouled out. Speaker forced Hooper at second. Speaker was out stealing. Philadelphia—Stock was hit by a pitched ball, which nipped him on the shoulder. Bancroft singled to left. Paskert bunted safely, and the bases were filled. The Boston players kicked on the decision. Foster took Cravath's grounder and threw to Thomas and Stock was out. Whitted was easy and then Cravath was nipped at first. Paskert scored on Luderus' double.

Second Inning.
Boston—Hoblitzell was out, Luderus to Mayer. Bancroft flied out. Gardner hit a long three-bagger to right center. Six inches higher and the ball would have been a home run. Gardner scored on Barry's Texas leaguer. Thomas was an easy out.

Philadelphia—Niehoff fanned on three pitched balls. Burns sent up a high one to Gardner. Mayer fanned.

Third Inning.
Boston—Hooper got a home run into the center field bleachers. Scott flied out to right. Speaker shot a single to right. Rixey replaced May-singer. The Boston players kicked on the decision. Foster took Cravath's grounder and threw to Thomas and Stock was out. Whitted was easy and then Cravath was nipped at first. Paskert scored on Luderus' double.

Fourth Inning.
Boston—Lewis out on a fly to Whitted. Gardner walked. Barry up. Rixey was throwing a very wide curve. Barry forced Gardner at second and Thomas flied out to Cravath. Philadelphia—Cravath struck out. Luderus scored on a home drive over the right field fence. The crowd gave him an ovation. Whitted flied out to

Gardner. Niehoff singled to center. It was his first hit in the series. Burns singled to right. Niehoff scored when Gardner, relaying Hooper's throw, threw wild home. Gardner threw out Rixey.

Fifth Inning.
Boston—Foster singled over short. Hooper was hit by a pitched ball. Scott up. Foster was almost picked off first. Scott flied out and Hooper was out at first.

Philadelphia—Stock was thrown out by Gardner, and Gainer made a nice pick up. Bancroft singled over Scott. Cravath was out to Speaker and Scott was caught stealing.

Sixth Inning.
Boston—Lewis was out at first. Gardner fouled out to Burns. Bancroft took Barry's grounder and threw wildly past second. Cady, batting for Thomas, walked. Niehoff threw out Foster at first.

Philadelphia—Cravath fanned for the second time. Luderus walked and was stealing. Whitted flied out to Speaker.

Seventh Inning.
Boston—Hooper was out Niehoff to Luderus. Scott sent up a high one to Luderus. Bancroft took Speaker's hot shot off the ground and threw him out at first.

Philadelphia—Niehoff was robbed of a hit by Foster and thrown out at first. Burns fouled out. Rixey singled to left. Scott flied out to Hooper.

Eighth Inning.
Boston—Gainer got an infield hit. Gainer and Lewis scored on Lewis' home run drive into the left field stand. Gardner and Barry were easy and Cady flied out to Paskert.

Philadelphia—Bancroft was out at first. Paskert popped out. Cravath walked. Luderus was hit. Whitted flied out.

Ninth Inning.
Boston—Foster struck out. Hooper got a home run into the right center bleachers. It was his second in the game. Scott was thrown out by Bancroft. Speaker struck out.

Philadelphia—Niehoff fanned. Burns was out to pitcher unassisted. Killer, batting for Rixey, was thrown out by Scott.

Score by inning:
Boston -----011 000 021--5 10 1
Maximum -----200 200 000--4 9 1
Philadelphia -----011 000 021--5 10 1
Batteries: Foster and Cady; Ma-yer, Rixey and Burns.